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### BASSANO BRIEFS

Which the Bassano boom. It will surprise you.

A. R. Truett, of Medicine Hat, was in town on Saturday, looking after when the interview. He is the guest of J. L. Depenier while here.

C. R. Brown, surveyor, and party are surveying two townships north of the city. The land has been used for grazing purposes since it was originally surveyed, and there have been private runs and a good many of the slides have been destroyed and hence the necessity for a re-survey.

Mease, Campbell, and Belden, photographers, were here in town from Tuesday till Friday of last week, taking views of stores and businesses about the city. They took up about 100 miles north of this city and intend leaving Gladwin in a few days for the purpose of making a fine run on their homesteads.

C. W. Rowley, manager of the Bank of Commerce at Calgary, was in town on Wednesday and Thursday of last week for the purpose of securing a site for a building for the local branch of the bank. Mr. Rowley, while here, outlined as to plans, indicated that it was probable that the bank would erect a \$100,000 structure here.

On Friday last J. L. Depenier & Co., removed from the north side of Second avenue to the south side, next door to C. Harris' real estate office. The new store is provided with good facilities for displaying jewelry and is much better suited to the firm's business than the one which it vacated.

The young people of the town gave a dance in Prince's Hall on Saturday evening, which was attended by about 30 couples. An orchestra, consisting of a violin and cornet was in attendance from Calgary and furnished the latest dance music, and the affair was an enjoyable one throughout. Dance continued for five minutes to 10 o'clock.

Alex. Flanagan, one of the Flanagan Brothers, who has been playing pool with the Galt hockey team during the past winter, arrived in town from the east during the latter part of last week. The team made a good showing during the past season, and Mr. Flanagan distinguished himself at pool, being a fast and brilliant player and a tower of strength to the defense of the team.

Among the recent arrivals in Bassano is Thomas Fitzsimmons and family, who came here from near Winnipeg, and who intend to remain permanently. Mr. Fitzsimmons has bought a lot on Fourth avenue between First and Second streets, although the old reliable firm of C. Harris and is now engaged in erecting a cottage thereon. He has land in the Red Deer River section, which he purposes improving shortly.

The warm weather is approaching and the winter's accumulation of rubbish which may be seen in back yards in all directions is being cleared away. It is a good thing that the weather is now here and that there are a few here and there that need attention. Cleanliness means healthiness in a place like Bassano, or anywhere else for that matter.

The Red Deer river, which has been closed for nearly two weeks so that it can be crossed by means of the ferry, continues to flow into that section in large numbers from Bassano. Some go as far as 100 miles north of here for the purpose of securing desirable locations. The number of quiver sections that will be taken in this line will run into many hundreds.

A. E. Smith's big plow traction engine arrived here on Friday, and on Saturday was used for traction purposes. Mr. Smith hitched it on to a 12 by 16 foot house, that was on and behind this was a big gas plow. The outfit proceeded at a fair rate of speed to a point about two miles south, where Mr. Smith purposes plowing up a half-section. Later the plow and engine will proceed to Mr. Smith's land, a considerable distance further south, where he has six sections. He will show up a considerable amount of this land this year and will see it in flux.

A steam digging engine, consigned to H. G. Hill arrived here on Saturday last and later proceeded under its own steam to the farm of six sections, located south of Bassano, purchased by Mr. Hill from the Co. of the Pacific Railway. It is Mr. Hill's intention to river down this season and to sow it with flax.

J. D. Vasey, contractor and builder, has been here from Calgary for a few days. He is looking over the situation here and later is to make some bids and awarding contracts upon them to be related to whenever they may come. There seems to be considerable demand for small cottages, which come principally from those who have taken up homesteads and desire to have their families in Bassano, while they are getting them in shape to live on.

There is a considerable demand for chickens here at present, which was created by the desire of nearly every one going into the interior to settle on the land to take a few with them. The reason that eggs were still a favorite breakfast food and for the further reason that eggs were still a favorite breakfast food with a large number. Parvis Brothers & Co. are bringing in a considerable number of chickens in order to supply the demand.

Louis Ferguson has just completed the erection of a neat two-story barn on Third avenue east, the ground dimensions of which are 20 by 20 feet. He recently began the construction of a residence on the same lot. It will be two stories, occupy 20 by 20 feet of space and have six rooms. It is rumored that Mr. Ferguson will shortly enter a life partnership with a young lady and that they will soon be occupying the cottage he is constructing.

Oxen are being taken by homesteaders in considerable numbers out into the country north of the Red Deer river. They cost here from \$25 per yoke with harness. Many prefer them to horses as they can be broken and can find a living almost anywhere. When a man is commencing to make his home on the prairie, however, it would be better to have some cattle, preferably to horses, although they are considerably slower.

The work of boring the gas well continues unspectacularly. The men engaged in the work are very reticent and take no one into their confidence as far as the presence of gas, the sort of formation the drill is passing through, etc., are concerned. No news is available, except that the work is being conducted in a satisfactory manner and that the progress is being made each day. It is thought by many that the drill has penetrated to a depth of over 1,500 feet.

P. Fitzhugh, proprietor of the Bassano Cafe, made a brief business trip to Calgary last week. Calgary, he says, is very busy and the population is rapidly increasing, and it seems to him that it is difficult to fix a link to the size to which it is destined to grow within the next ten years. There are many here from the United States and Europe who are seeking homesteads, pre-emption or an opportunity to purchase desirable tracts of railway land, and these represent only a small portion of those who will come during the year 1910.

Joseph Wright has sold his half-interest in the firm of Marchion Brothers. The firm was formed in January last and has done a profitable business since that time. Mr. Wright is the local manager of the Crown Lumber Co. and found that looking after the prosperous affairs of that Co. demanded every moment of his time and in order that he might have anything whatever to even take the portion of his father-in-law he decided to retire from the firm of Marchion & Wright.

A hospital should be established in Bassano as soon as possible. One of moderate size would answer present requirements, and the hospital structure should be built so that it could be added to. At first it could be supported partially by the provincial government, which, it is thought, would willingly make a grant each year to aid in its maintenance. The city could and must patients to this hospital as might become through misfortune, public and private. The hospital for looking after them. The hospital could be placed in charge of the Victorian order of nurses, or some like organization. As the town increases in size, the surrounding country grows and the population here will be more and more important. The general hospital at present in Calgary, which is too far to transport patients who are seriously ill.

Mr. Perry and son, of Wisconsin, are in Bassano and intend to purchase a good-sized tract of land to farm it on a considerable scale.

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